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## Green backs appointment of Secretary of Labor

### President Green's Comment

Washington, D. C.—President William Green of the American Federation of Labor issued the following comment on the appointment by President Truman of Louis H. Schwellenbach as Secretary of Labor:

"We regard Judge Schwellenbach as a most capable and well-qualified man to serve. He showed that he possessed a very clear understanding of labor and labor's problems when he served in the United States Senate. His record and was excellent from a labor point of view. We look forward to his service as Secretary of Labor with a feeling of confidence and satisfaction and will gladly cooperate with him as fully and completely as possible."

In addition to that, we are going to make it take steps to consolidate within the Labor Department all the agencies of government that deal with labor problems and labor questions and in that way to expand the responsibilities of the Labor Department.

We hope that we may not yet an advisory committee so that we may serve with him and cooperate with him in his work as Secretary of Labor."

## Strike Losses at New Low in 1944; AFL Record Again Outstanding

Washington, D. C.—Losses from strikes and lockouts in 1944 hit an all-time low, the Bureau of Labor Statistics reported. Illness due to these strikes and lockouts was equivalent to less than one percent of the available working time.

Putting it another way, the losses said that if all the time lost because of strikes and lockouts last year were lumped together, it would be equivalent to shutting down all industry about two and a quarter hours, or about one-fourth of a working day.

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## Fired Jackson Cops Happier As Jury Okays Their Unions

Jackson, Miss.—A policeman's life here is now less unhappy because a jury of workers, businessmen and farmers unanimously said that members of the local police force have the right to join the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, an AFL union.

The policemen, who organized a local union a year ago, were fired by the Chief of Police for refusing to obey the City Commission's orders to resign from the union.

## Cornell To Name Labor Trustees

Ithaca, N. Y.—Three representatives from the ranks of labor will be elected to the board of trustees of Cornell University at a board meeting scheduled for June 15.

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## THE AFL PRESENTS... THE PRESS OF CHICAGO

The Dramatic Story of Labor's Own Seabees

OVER CBS—EVERY SATURDAY—3:45 P.M. E.T.

## CONGRESSMAN SUPPORTS WAGE BOOS FOR LABOR

Washington, D. C.—The AFL's relentless drive to modify the Wagner-Murray-Dingell bill, providing for a national wage survey, received unexpected support in Congress.

Rep. George H. Brown, of California, introduced a concurrent resolution requesting the President to direct the Director of Economic Stabilization to allow general wage increases of 10 percent beyond the limits set by the War Relocation Authority in order to permit workers to meet increased living costs.

## PLATE OUTPUT CUT WORKERS LOSE JOBS

Washington, D. C.—Labor's warnings about drastic war production cutbacks may be realized, according to the War Department announced reductions of 17,000 in aircraft production in the next eighteen months.

The 20 percent reduction in production schedules will force the disemployment of 17,000 workers in the next year, officials declared.

## AFL MACHINIST WINS SOLDIER'S MEDAL

Washington, D. C.—For heroism at the risk of his life, Pfc. Kenneth C. Doyle, Seattle, a member of the Pacific Northwest National Association of Industrial Union of Marine and Shipbuilding Workers of America, was awarded the Soldier's Medal, the highest military honor for civilians.

## Brief Outline of Bill

Washington, D. C.—Here is a summary of the provisions of the new Wagner-Murray-Dingell amendments to the Social Security Act:

Part A—REPEAL PERSONAL HEALTH SERVICE INSURANCE—Provision of medical care to all State residents.

Part B—UNEMPLOYMENT AND TEMPORARY DISABILITY INSURANCE—Provision of unemployment and temporary disability insurance to all State residents.

Part C—RETIREMENT, SURVIVORS AND TOTAL DISABILITY INSURANCE—Provision of retirement, survivors and total disability insurance to all State residents.

Part D—NATIONAL SOCIAL INSURANCE TRUST FUND—All Federal taxes on Social Security.

Part E—CREDIT FOR MILITARY SERVICE—4160 weeks credited to all military service members.

Part F—COVERAGE PROVISIONS AND DEFINITIONS—Extends coverage to all State residents.

Part G—SOCIAL INSURANCE CONTRIBUTIONS—Year per cent contribution to all State residents.

Part H—GENERAL PROVISIONS—Creates a National Advisory Council on labor-management representation.

## EMPOYEE SUGGESTIONS SAVE ARMY MILLIONS

Chicago, Ill.—James F. Mahoney, chairman of the War Relocation Authority's Civilian Control Board, said that the department has saved \$100 million in expenses from civilian employee suggestions.

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## Buy More War Bonds!

Washington, D. C.—About the best editorial on War Bonds that we have seen in the past few days is the editorial in the Washington Post.

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## Tanaka Asks Immediate Pay Rates for Unemployment Insurance

### New Wagner-Murray-Dingell Bill Offered in Congress, Hailed By AFL

Washington, D. C.—Introduction in Congress of a new and improved Wagner-Murray-Dingell bill, providing for a national wage survey, was hailed by the American Federation of Labor.

In a public statement approving the bill, Mr. Green said:

"Enactment of this measure will provide the American people with a national wage survey, which will enable them to determine the maximum amount of wages that can be paid in any industry in any State in any year. It will also provide for a national wage survey, which will enable them to determine the maximum amount of wages that can be paid in any industry in any State in any year."

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"The American Federation of Labor is proud of the fact that it is the first time in the history of the United States that a bill of this kind has been introduced in Congress. It is a bill that will provide for a national wage survey, which will enable them to determine the maximum amount of wages that can be paid in any industry in any State in any year."

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## SOLDIERS' POSTWAR PLANS

Washington, D. C.—About 75 percent of the men in the Army expect to return to civilian life after the war.

## MACHINISTS WIN AGAIN

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